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## NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

**Institute of Museum and Library Services** 

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Request: State Library Administrative Agency Survey FY20 and FY22

**AGENCY:** Institute of Museum and Library Services; National Foundation for the Arts and Humanities.

ACTION: Notice, request for comments on this collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This pre-clearance consultation program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. The purpose of this Notice is to solicit comments concerning the continuation of the State Library Administrative Agency (SLAA) Survey for FY20 and FY22.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**DATES**: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before October 25, 2019.

IMLS is particularly interested in comments that help the agency to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**ADDRESSES**: Send comments to: Dr. Sandra Webb, Director, Office of Grants Policy and Management, Institute of Museum and Library Services, 955 L'Enfant Plaza North, SW, Suite 4000, Washington, DC 20024-2135. Dr. Webb can be reached by Telephone: 202-653-4718 Fax: 202-653-4608, or by e-mail at *swebb@imls.gov*, or by teletype (TTY/TDD) for persons with hearing difficulty at 202-653-4614.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marisa Pelczar, Ph.D., Program Analyst, Office of Impact Assessment and Learning, Institute of Museum and Library Services, 955 L'Enfant Plaza North, SW, Suite 4000, Washington, DC 20024-2135. Dr. Pelczar can be reached by Telephone: 202-653-4647 Fax: 202-653-4604, or by e-mail at mpelczar@imls.gov, or by teletype (TTY/TDD) for persons with hearing difficulty at 202-653-4614.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## I. Background:

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal support for the nation's libraries and museums. We advance, support, and empower America's museums, libraries, and related organizations through grant making, research, and policy development. Our vision is a nation where museums and libraries work together to transform the lives of individuals and communities. To learn more, visit <code>www.imls.gov</code>.

### II. Current Actions:

Pursuant to Public Law 107-279, this State Library Administrative Agencies Survey has been conducted by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the clearance number 3137-0072, which expires 01/31/2020.

State Library Administrative Agencies ("SLAAs") are the official agencies of each state charged by state law with the extension and development of public library services throughout the state (20 U.S.C. 9122.) The purpose of this survey is to provide state and federal policymakers with information about SLAAs, including their governance, allied operations, developmental services to libraries and library systems, support of electronic information networks and resources, number and types of outlets, and direct services to the public. Through the FY 2010 collection, the SLAA Survey was conducted annually; beginning with the FY 2012 collection, the survey is conducted biennially. Because the FY 2020 collection will not begin until early 2021, we are carrying over the documentation and estimated burden associated with the FY 2018 data. This action is to create the survey forms and instructions for the assessment for the next three years.

Agency: Institute of Museum and Library Services

*Title:* Assessment of the IMLS African American History and Culture (AAHC) Grant Program *OMB Number:* 3137-0072

Frequency: Biennially

Affected Public: Federal, State and local governments, State Library Administrative Agencies

Number of Respondents: 51

Estimated Average Burden per Response: TBD \_\_\_\_ hours

Estimated Total Annual Burden: TBD \_\_\_\_ hours

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: n/a

Total Annual costs: TBD

Public Comments Invited: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized

and/or included in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

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